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VON MENDE

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RE MGM-A-1006.

1. VON MENDE ARRIVED MUNICH 17 MARCH AND PROVIDED ON OUR REQUEST BRIEF WRITTEN STATEMENT OF HIS OPS METHODS, VALUE OF BACKGROUND RESEARCH ON TARGET AREAS, AND GENERAL STATEMENT ON RUSSIAN MINORITIES. AS [] ILL, [] DINED AND SPENT EVENING WITH VON MENDE, OF WHOM FIRST IMPRESSION DISTINCTLY FAVORABLE. AT ABOUT SAME TIME ODEUM INFORMED US THEY CONSIDER VON MENDE EXCELLENT PRIZE FOR ANY IS. INTERESTED IN USSR, AS HE IS TOP AUTHORITY OF SUBJECT AND AS HE BRINGS WITH HIM LOYALTIES AND COOPERATION OF LARGE PART EMIGRANT MINORITY GROUPS.
2. SUBSEQUENT TO HIS RETURN BIELEFELD, VON MENDE WROTE [] HE DEFINITELY WISHES CHANGE IN SPONSORSHIP, AND IS PREPARING DETAILED WRITTEN REPLIES TO OUR QUERIES ALL ASPECTS HIS PRESENT ACTIVITIES, METHODS, CONNECTIONS, POSSIBILITIES COOPERATION WITH US. THIS HE WILL PRESENT WITH DEFINITE APPLICATION FOR WORK WITH US ON MUNICH VISIT IN WEEK AFTER EASTER.
3. [] INDIRECTLY SOUNDING OUT RECTOR MUNICH UNIVERSITY ON POSSIBILITY OPENING THERE FOR UNNAMED INDIVIDUAL WITH TOR:

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VON MENDE'S QUALIFICATIONS. FIRST RESPONSE FAVORABLE, WITH REQUEST FROM RECTOR FOR MEETING AND FURTHER DISCUSSION.

4. ENTIRE INITIATIVE VON MENDE APPLICATION COMES FROM VON MENDE, WHICH CLEARS US VIS-A-VIS BRITISH OF POSSIBLE ACCUSATION WE STEALING THEIR PERSONNEL. WE REJECT POSSIBILITY THIS BIS PENETRATION ATTEMPT IN VIEW HIS IMPORTANCE TO THEIR BSSR OPS AND HIS EVIDENT STRONG NERVOUSNESS LEST BIS LEARN OF HIS NEGOTIATIONS WITH US.

5. WE CONSIDER VON MENDE FAVORABLE IN ROLE HIGH LEVEL ADVISOR AND RESEARCH AID IN OUR USSR PROGRAM. IF YOU HAVE STRONG OBJECTIONS WE REQUEST CABLE REPLY PRIOR TO EASTER.

TOR: 061043Z

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